### ROAD-LITTLE ROCK TO CANTONMENT GIBSON.

## MESSAGE

FROM THE

# PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,

Transmitting the Information required by a resolution of the House of Representatives, in relation to

## THE CONSTRUCTION OF A ROAD

FROM

LITTLE ROCK TO CANTONMENT GIBSON.

DECEMBER 22, 1826.

Read, and laid upon the table.

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To the House of Representatives of the United States:

WASHINGTON, 22d December, 1826.

In compliance with a resolution of the House of Representatives of the 12th inst. requesting information of the measures taken to carry into effect the act of Congress of 3d March, 1825, directing a road to be made from Little Rock to Cantonment Gibson, in the Territory of Arkansas, I transmit a report from the Secretary of War, with a letter from the Quartermaster General, containing the information desired by the resolution.

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS.

### DEPARTMENT OF WAR,

December 21st, 1826.

The Secretary of War, to whom was referred the resolution of the House of Representatives of the 12th instant, requesting the President of the United States " to inform the House whether any, and, if any, what, measures have been taken to carry into effect the act of Congress of the 3d of March, 1825, directing a road to be made from Little Rock to Cantonment Gibson, in the Territory of Arkansas," has the honor to transmit herewith a Report of the Quartermaster General, which furnishes the information required by the aforesaid resolution.

Respectfully submitted.

JAMES BARBOUR.

The PRESIDENT of the United States.

# QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington City, Dec. 21st, 1826.

SIR: In answer to a resolution of the House of Representatives of the 12th instant, referred, by your order to this Department, requesting information "whether any, and, if any, what, measures have been taken to carry into effect the act of Congress of the 3d of March, 1825, directing a road to be made from Little Rock to Cantonment Gibson, in the Territory of Askansas," I have the honor to report, that, in compliance with the provisions of the first section of that act, Commissioners were appointed, and a survey of the route of the road referred to, was made, under the orders of the Engineer Department, during the last year; that in March, 1826, the superintendency of the road was, by your order, transferred to this Department; that an order was sent from the Adjutant General's Office to the commanding officer at Cantonment Gibson, instructing him to detach a force from his command to perform the work, and arrangements were made by this Department to supply the necessary funds and tools; but in consequence of the troops being employed in constructing quarters and defences, as stated in my annual report, the work had not been commenced at the last date.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
TH. S. JESUP,
Quartermaster General.

Hon. James Barbour, Secretary of War, Washington.